

COUNTABLE OR EXEMPT INCOME ACTIVITY ANSWERS KEESM 6410-EXEMPT INCOME

- 1. Patty receives \$300 in alimony. (Alimony is countable.)
- 2. Frank is widowed and has no dependent children. He enters the nursing facility for a long term stay and applies for medical assistance. He reports receiving \$850 in VA/AA. (Countable! The full VA/AA pension (excluding any UME) which has not been reduced but will be once VA is notified is countable per KEESM 8150.3) This only pertains to veterans who receive VA/AA, are single and have no dependents and reside in a nursing home.
- 3. Suzi receives adoption support of \$500. (Adoption Support is exempt.)
- 4. Tim's house burned down due to a faulty electric heater. He was given \$250 from the Salvation Army to help with purchasing clothing and necessities. (Donations from non-profit organizations that are less than \$300 are considered exempt Income.)
- 5. Jonathon is a Work Healthy recipient and participates in WORK. He receives allocation payments from the WORK program. (KEESM 6410 (66) states that allocation payments through an approved WORK plan for independence are considered a reimbursement and are exempt as income for all programs.)
- 6. Steve resides in Sunny Acre Nursing home. He receives \$420 in reverse mortgage income. (Reverse mortgage income is exempt as it is treated like a loan, even if payments are regular and predictable.)
- 7. At review, Leah provides the current value of her life insurance policy. It reflects \$125 in dividends. (Dividends on life insurance policies are exempt)
- 8. The eligibility worker discovers that Nick receives \$100 check each month from his grandma. (These checks are regular gifts and would be countable.)
- 9. Allison applies for WH this month and is eligible. She reports that on the 30th she will receive \$2,400 in pasture rent. This income is received once a year. (The income was received in a month assistance is provided, so it would have to be countable income divided over the year.
- 10. Christie is 17 years old, attends highschool and is working at the local McDonald's. She earns a gross amount of \$245.98 a month. (Earnings of a minor child while attending high school are **exempt** income.)